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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application in the names of

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Sung Ho AHN of Taejon, Republic of Korea;
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Doo Hyun KIM of Taejon, Republic of Korea,

for **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING AUDIO NOISE ATTENUATION BY MONITORING BUFFER**. The application comprises a 20-page specification including 11 claims (2 independents) and Abstract, 3 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-6), and a Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The above-mentioned applicants qualify for small entity status.

Accompanying this application for filing are:

- (1) Assignment document, cover sheet and \$40.00 fee for recordation of Assignment;
- (2) Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 Form and Copies of References; and
- (3) A certified copy of Korean Application No. 2001-0080718, filed December 18, 2001, the priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

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